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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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AUSTRIAN FLEET MUTINY.

RED FLAG HOISTED.

LONDON, May 13.

The Times Correspondent with the
Italian Army states:—

It transpires that a mutiny broke out
in the Austrian Fleet at Cattaro and
Pola, in February. The officers were
powerless. Six cruisers and several
destroyers at Cattaro hoisted the red
flag. Encounters occurred between
the German elements and the mutineers,
who gained the mastery of the port,
seized the Admiral and confined him on
a vessel in the harbour.

The mutineers finally returned to
their allegiance after a week's negotia-
tions, receiving guarantees that they
would not be punished and promises of
settlement of their grievances. Thirty
officers were cashiered on the ground of
slackness. A notorious martinet was
subsequently appointed to command the
Fleet, and he began to inflict wholesale
punishments for imaginary offences.

After three days the mutineers gained
the mastery of the port and seized the
officers and removed the Admiral to
confinement on another ship and treated
him roughly. The mutineers by printed
pamphlets, signed by a committee of
the crews, gave all orders ashore and
afloat, and wireless their demands to
Vienna, giving prominence to their
demand for an immediate peace. The
authorities sent placating non-committal
replies and, after prolonged councils,
sent to Cattaro another fleet division
under a Germano-Austrian Admiral.
The situation is now critical owing to
the outbreak of mutinies in the new
division, but the position was saved by
the Teutonic element of one of the
revolutionary cruisers overpowering the
mutineers. The revolt lasted for eight
days. As most of the Austrian sailors
belong to the oppressed races undoubtedly
ferment in the Fleet continues.

The mutiny began at Pola early in
February among the arsenal workers.
The almost simultaneous rising at
Cattaro indicates connivance between
the two ports. The mutineers of Pola
demanded the cessation of various
disciplinary measures and punishment,
which were inflicted both on vessels
and ashore. The movement soon
spread to the ships' crews, who left
their posts and thronged on the decks,
shouting and hurrahing. The officers
were powerless. The naval authorities
played with the men for a week, and
finally granted all their demands. The
mutiny at Cattaro was more serious.
Six cruisers and several destroyers
hoisted the red flag. The German
Magyar elements on some ships resisted
the mutineers turning upon the latter
the guns of one cruiser and killing a
number of them.

ITALIANS BOMBARD CATTARO.

Rome, May 14.

An official report states:—
Our aeroplanes successfully bombarded
the submarine base of Cattaro.
All our machines returned safely,
despite the heavy barrage.

GRAND DUKES NICOLAS AND ALEXANDER.

REPORTED CAPTURE BY GERMANS.

AMSTERDAM, May 13.

The German newspapers state that
the Dowager Queen of Russia and the
Grand Dukes Nicolas and Alexander,
who were residing at Aitodora, are
in German hands.

HOISTED BY HIS OWN PETARD.

AN AMUSING TALE.

AMSTERDAM, May 13.

In the Reichstag, the Independent
Socialist, Herr Vogther, declared
that submarines had not brought
peace nearer. In the meanwhile
they were destroying tonnage that
would be needed after the war to
bring Germany raw materials.

OFFENSIVE AGAINST ITALY DEMANDED.

TRANSFER OF GUNS AND MEN

LONDON, May 14.

The Daily Chronicle Correspondent
at Paris says it is understood the
Kaiser insisted at the Imperial Con-
ference on a big Austrian offensive
against Italy simultaneously with the
renewal of the German offensive in
the West. The Austrians were
obliged to consent.

The transport of Austrians to the
Trentino has increased tremendously.
Part of the Austrian heavy guns in
France have been re-transferred to
Italy.

GERMAN HEADQUARTERS CONFERENCE.

AUSTRO-GERMAN ECONOMIC
AND MILITARY UNION.

LONDON, May 13.

Swiss reports state that the con-
ferences at the German Headquarters
especially related to future Austro-
German relations. The Germans
proposed an Austro-German econ-
omic and military union. They were
supported by the Germans in Aus-
tria, but it is doubtful whether the
necessary two-thirds majority in the
Reichsrath for this constitutional
change can be obtained.

The Frankfurter Zeitung declared
that the great Austrian question of
the day is whether continued exist-
ence as a separate State is possible,
owing to the demand of the South
Slavs for independence, and the
demand of the Germans in Austria
for a union with Germany.

THE RAID ON OSTEND.

ADMIRALTY STATEMENT ON THE
ENTERPRISE.

LONDON, May 14.

The Admiralty issues the following
account of the Ostend operation, dated
Dunkirk, May 11.

The *Sirius* which failed so gallantly
to block the harbour, lies in the surf
some 2,000 yards east of the entrance
to the Ostend harbour.

The planning and execution of the
enterprise was entrusted to Commodore
Hubert Lynes who directed the previous
attempt to block the harbour with the
Sirius and the *Brilliant*. On former
occasions unforseen and unforeseeable
conditions fought against him. On this
occasion the main problem was to secure
the effect of a surprise attack upon the
enemy, who was clearly expecting him.
The *Sirius* and *Brilliant* had previously
been baffled by the displacement of the
Stroom bank buoy, marking the Chan-
nel, to the harbour entrance, but since
then aerial reconnaissance established
the fact that the Germans had removed
the buoy altogether and there were no
guiding marks of any kind. They also
cut gaps in the piers as a precaution
against our landing. Furthermore, when
on the midnight of May 9 the ships
moved from the anchorage it was known
that some of German destroyers were
patrolling the coast.

The night was favourable for the enter-
prise. There was little wind. It was
moonless and there was a still at sea.
From Dunkirk a sudden brief gunfire
announced that German aeroplanes
were about. The *Brilliant*, seen mistily
through the streaming smoke from
the destroyer's funnels, plodded silently
to her goal. She reached stern as the des-
troyer raced on to lay slight on the buoy
which was to be her guide. She passed
thence into the hands of a small craft
whose mission was to guide the light
and hide her in clouds of the smoke
screen.

(Message incomplete.)

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the LARGE DINING ROOM, on THURSDAY, the 16th inst., at 5.30 p.m. Business—As set forth in the Notice printed in the Hall of the Club.

By Order

E. DES VUEUX,

Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1918. 393

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTEENTH YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, at 11 a.m., on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1917, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee, and to elect a Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th May to the 17th May, 1918, both days inclusive.

The CHINA-BORNEO Co., Ltd.

W. G. DARBY,

General Manager.

Hongkong, May 2, 1918. 392

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, at Noon.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd May to the 17th May, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 29, 1918. 397

PEAK TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

the FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st April, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th instant to the 22nd instant, both days inclusive.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, May 10, 1918. 406

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1918, at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. P. HAY,

per pro. General Manager.

Hongkong, May 11, 1918. 412

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1918, at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. P. HAY,

per pro. General Manager.

Hongkong, May 11, 1918. 413

BRITISH TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1918, at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. H. P. HAY,

per pro. General Manager.

Hongkong, May 11, 1918. 414

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

I HAVE STARTED BUSINESS as General Merchants under the Firm name of J. M. XAVIER & CO., at 34, Queen's Road Central.

J. M. XAVIER.

Hongkong, May 13, 1918. 415

NOTICE.

CARVALHO & COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Mr. HENRY ARMAND BEN-RICKSON CASTRO has this Day CEASED to be the Manager of our Business at Hongkong and his authority to Sign our Firm Name has been withdrawn.

Dated this 6th day of May, 1918.

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Hongkong, May 9, 1918. 399

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Hongkong, April 10, 1918. 319

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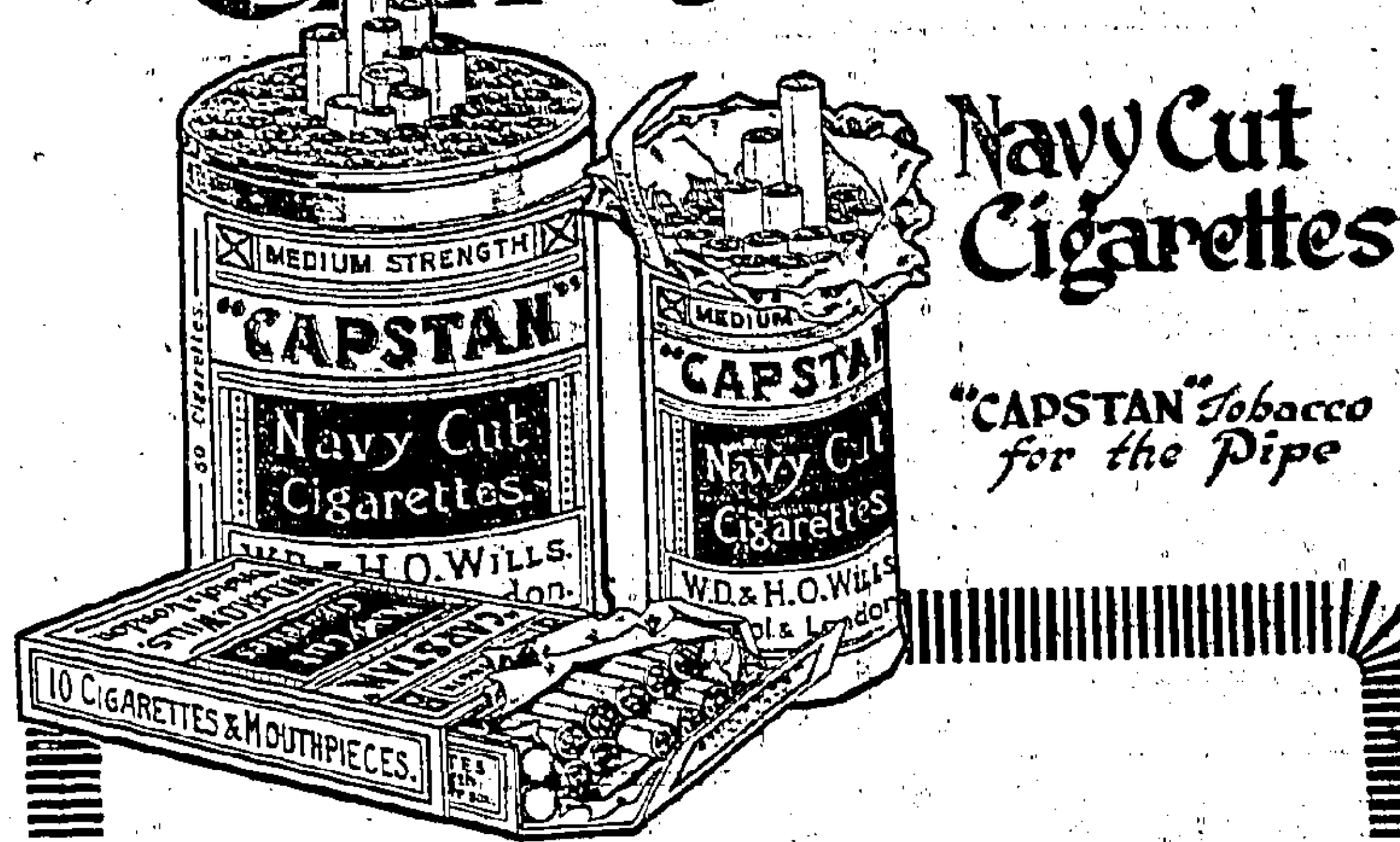
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THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHANGHAI BRANCH.

There was a fair attendance of members of the Shanghai Branch of the China Association at the annual meeting which was held at the Shanghai Club last week.

Mr. A. G. Stephen presided and was supported by Messrs. E. C. Pearce, E. C. Richards, G. A. Richardson, P. W. Massey, L. E. Cairn, C. M. Bain, O. M. Green and H. G. Simms, committee, and Mr. R. F. C. Master, secretary.

The CHAIRMAN in his address said: I again am glad to be in a position to report that there has been an increase in membership—not so great as last year, that could hardly be expected as the figure rose by nearly one hundred, but still an increase, which testifies to the interest taken in the Association—I hope no member will lose an opportunity of getting any friends to join during the coming year.

Our Secretary, Mr. Master, has aided to offer his services to his country in the fighting line and proceeds home shortly so he has tendered his resignation.

All of us must recognise the sacrifice he is making in this decision—he is a man that can ill be spared from the community for many reasons, both public and private, and I am certain we all feel that in him Shanghai is giving its best.

We are sure he will distinguish himself in whatever sphere of service that may be allotted to him and we can only hope that he will come through safely and soon be back with us again. I wish to take this opportunity to express the obligations of the Committee for the able and useful way he has done his duties.

We have been fortunate enough to secure the services of Mr. K. E. Newman, assistant legal adviser to the Council, who will act as secretary during Mr. Master's absence. Being

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in the Municipal service, he is not permitted to ask for any emolument for outside work such as this and he has accordingly very kindly consented to act in an honorary capacity.

H. M. MINISTER.

Sir John Jordan returned to China in September last when your Committee, jointly with the Committee of the British Chamber of Commerce, had the honour of entertaining him at luncheon and welcoming him back. Sir John made a few remarks on the condition of affairs in Europe which were of peculiar interest, coming as they did from one in a position really to know. I think we may congratulate ourselves on having a man of Sir John's calibre, one who understands the Chinese so thoroughly and who enjoys their confidence in such an unprecedented degree, at the head of our Legation in Peking at the present time. I think I may safely say that there is no one more fitted for the post and no one better qualified to cope with the situations continually arising through the present unsettled condition of affairs in China and internal troubles through which she is passing.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

I do not intend to add very much to what is set out in the report under this head. There is no question but that the benefits, which it was justifiable to anticipate would accrue to the Allied cause from China's entry into the war, have not been realized, on the other hand, China's "herself" has benefited very considerably.

The strongest representations have been made to her to take steps to put a stop to enemy trading and curtail enemy propaganda and it has been pointed out that the only really effective method of dealing with the question is to report all enemy subjects—until this is done nothing will prevent Chinese from dealing with the Germans, working in with them to keep their trade going and putting them in a position to take up the threads again as soon as the war is over, nor can enemy propagandists be effectively checked by any less stringent measures. China's internal disorders are deplorable in the extreme and she seems incapable of effectively dealing with them. In addition to her political troubles, China has, during the past year, suffered from a variety of visitations in the shape of floods, pestilence and famine. The condition of things created by the floods in Chihli was appalling. Plague showed

itself in the northern Provinces and threatened to spread south. Happily it was checked at Nanking before it became epidemic, chiefly owing to the untiring efforts of doctors of all nationalities. The present is China's opportunity to put her house in order; financially she has never been better off owing to the large increase in the revenue derived from the Salt Gabelle, the high rate of exchange which has enabled her to pay the Boxer Indemnities at a greatly reduced cost in silver, and the suspension of payment of the Boxer Indemnities. But until she has got rid of the mismanagement and graft which permeate the whole of her political system, she cannot take advantage of her opportunity.

CHINA TEA PROHIBITION.

In February, 1917, tea merchants in China received a bombshell in the midst of the shape of a telegram stating that as from 23rd February no further China tea could be imported into Great Britain. No previous notification of this prohibition had been received and there had been no hint that any steps, let alone steps of such a drastic nature, were contemplated by the Government. Merchants found themselves in a very awkward position. They had contracted to buy large quantities of tea, fixed their exchanges, and were committed to take delivery of the tea which they would be unable to export to Great Britain—there were also considerable quantities of tea lying packed for the English market awaiting shipment.

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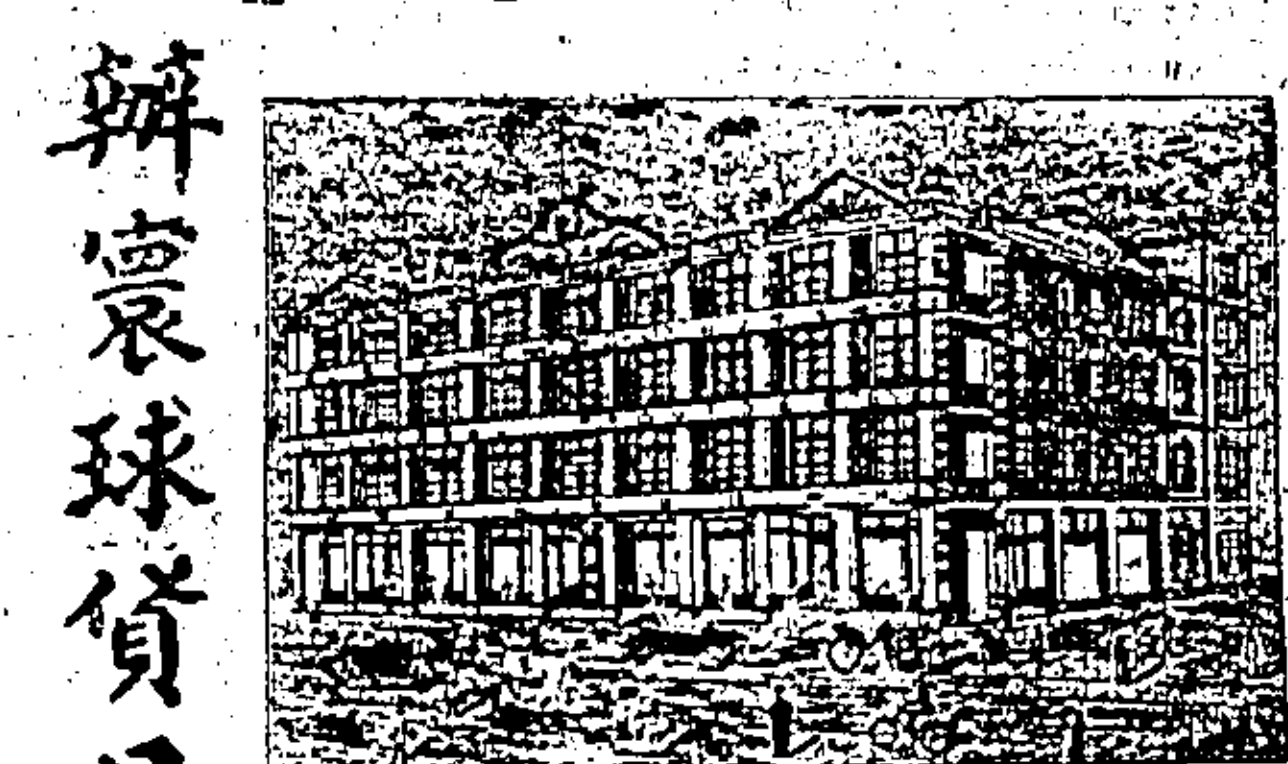
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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
10.30 a.m.—Action of Mr. E. V. Carpmal's effects at Messrs Hughes & Hough's.
5.30 p.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of Members of Hongkong Club.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

FRIDAY, May 17.
11 a.m.—The China-Borneo Co., Ltd. annual meeting.
Noon—Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. annual meeting.
2.15 p.m.—Action of Furniture at Mr. W. Dunbar's residence, 57, Mt. Bellet Road, Peak.
SATURDAY, May 18.
5.15—Frawley Co. open at the Theatre Royal. Play: "It Pays to Advertise".
SUNDAY, May 19.
Noon—Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd. Yearly Meeting.
12.30 p.m.—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Yearly Meeting.
5.15 p.m.—British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd. Yearly Meeting.
FRIDAY, May 24.
Empire Day.

and prospective capacity of the British shipbuilding yards and engine shops. That being so the nation will expect the Government to see that this tonnage is actually turned out. It represents a much greater rate than the destruction of shipping. Besides the British yards, mercantile tonnage is being constructed on a vastly increased scale by the United States and Japan, and every shipbuilding yard in the world, in fact, must be adding constantly to the world's mercantile fleet. Admiral von CAPPELL's belittled the American effort in this respect. He said America had built little and her building had been far below expectations. We published yesterday a telegraphic summary of the reports of the American Shipping Board for the month of April which showed an output of 240,000 tons, two-thirds of which were completed in the last fortnight of April. It was added that this total still lacked reports from Pacific coast yards. Since the American Government began its shipbuilding programme 1,405,000 tons of shipping have been launched, and the Report emphasises the fact that the construction figures are steadily rising. Only a few days ago we drew attention to some remarkable statements made by the Chairman of the United States Shipping Board which disclosed that America's shipbuilding activities are simply colossal. America's present programme of steel shipbuilding covers 8,000,000 tons and Mr. HURLEY stated that on March 1st last this programme was 28 per cent on its way to completion. He said the United States would soon have 730 yards turning out ships, and that "the three Government fabricating yards near Philadelphia when in full operation will be able to produce more ships in a year than all the combined shipyards of England, hitherto the greatest shipbuilding country in the world." Germany will have to increase her submarine activity immensely if she is to defeat all this shipbuilding activity. We are constantly being told, moreover, that the Allied naval patrols are dealing with the menace with ever-increasing success. To this end the blocking of Ostend and Zeebrugge and the laying of an immense British minefield in the North Sea will doubtless contribute greatly, and we may recall the fact that Admiral Lord JELlicoe has predicted that the submarine menace will be killed by August. It is impossible to reconcile the German Admiral's confidence in the success of the submarine with the declining rate of destruction and the ever-increasing output of merchant shipping. A terrible day of reckoning will surely come for the men who are now beguiling the German people into a false sense of security.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lieutenant H. Sutor, A.N.Z., formerly chief officer in the China-Navigation Co., Ltd., has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

In the 24 hours ended yesterday there occurred in the Colony two fatal cases of plague, one of diphtheria, three (two fatal) of enteric and six (four fatal) of cerebro-spinal fever. All were Chinese cases.

We are informed by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Company that all the parcels of tea and sugar despatched by them to England, via Suez, early in January, have safely reached their destinations. The many letters of acknowledgement which have been received are proof that the contents of the parcels were greatly appreciated by the recipients.

At a meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday Mr. Dowley on behalf of the members of the Board made a short speech of farewell to Mr. Carpmal, President of the Board, and Mr. C.M.V. Reynolds, Secretary, on the occasion of their departure for England on active service. Mr. Ng Hon Tsz associated himself with Mr. Dowley's remarks. Mr. Carpmal suitably replied thanking the speakers and the Board for their kind wishes, and each member in turn before leaving the meeting shook hands with Mr. Carpmal and Mr. Reynolds, wishing them good fortune in their venture.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

PORTION REPORTED MORTGAGED TO JAPAN.

Pootam Weale, the Peking Correspondent of the Shanghai Gazette, writes that he has learned from an authoritative source that the new Russian anti Bolshevik Directorate of the Chinese Eastern Railway, recently formed in Peking, has mortgaged the Changchun-Harbin section of the railway to Japan, for an unknown sum.

The Correspondent adds that this is one of the disastrous consequences of the Seminoif adventure.

MINING CONCESSION IN CHINA.

JAPANESE OBTAIN RIGHT TO MINE IRON.

SHANGHAI, May 14.
It is officially confirmed that despite the fierce opposition of the local authorities the Japanese have obtained the concession of an important iron mine in Kaichow in the province of Kiangsu.

(The "China Mail" Service.)

THE MILITARY SITUATION.

PEKING, May 14.
General Chu Shat Sang has suddenly firmly refused to take command of the Second Expeditionary Army.

General Niu Sze Chung has sent a strongly worded telegram to the Government demanding funds, without which he is unable to despatch troops to Kiangsu.

The Commanders of three Fengtien Divisions have arrived in Peking to receive instructions and to obtain funds to proceed South with their armies.

Following upon the recapture of Liling and Yashien by the Northern troops, the Southern troops have retaken Saungtek and Paohing, with the result that Western Hunan is now in the hands of the South. The defeated Northern troops are fleeing in the direction of Changsha.

General Chang Wai Chee has again telegraphed to the Government requesting that General Chu Shat Sang be appointed in his stead; otherwise he will return to Peking and tender his resignation in person.

CHINO-JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS.

PEKING, May 14.
The negotiations between China and Japan have not yet been handed over to the Foreign Office, nor has the Cabinet discussed the matter.

Meantime the Japanese delegates are urging China to sign an agreement, but Kau Wan Peng tries to evade it on the pretext of illness, while Tuan Chi Kwei also declines to continue the negotiations himself; therefore the whole matter is being held in abeyance pending the return of Baron Hayashi to Peking.

HITCH IN THE NEW LOAN.

PEKING, May 14.
After paying \$7,000,000 of the new loan Japan is refusing to make any further payment, despite repeated requests from the Peking Government.

THE LATE MR. A. P. NOBBS.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, at Happy Valley, of the late Mr. A. P. Nobbs, the corpse passing the Monument at 3.30 p.m., followed by a large number of friends of the deceased.

The burial service was conducted by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle and at the graveside were Messrs Henry Lum, J. Tarrant, W. Morley, J. R. Capel, J. Spittall, W. Stapleton, V. Capel, J. Guy, D. Wilson, F. Bapp, G. Rapp, V. Muriel, G. C. Todd, M. Munkett, J. Rodgers, W. Budge, J. H. Underwood, J. B. Mead, W. L. Robertson, G. H. May, E. Kermay, A. McKirdy, W. T. Eikon, W. J. Crawford, P. Tod, Lieut. Highy, Dr. Saunders and many members of the Chinese and Indian Staffs of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company were also present.

Amongst the floral tokens were wreaths from Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company, from the various departments of the Company, from The Kowloon Cricket Club, The Engineers and Shipbuilders Institute, The Phoenix Club and the Victoria Recreation Club. Also from Messrs. Lan Chi Pak and Sons, Messrs. Gauds, Fripp and Company and the Colonial Dispensary, and from Mr. and Mrs. J. Tarrant, Mr. and Mrs. J. Spittall, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Capel, Mr. and Mrs. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Eikon, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stapleton, Mr. G. H. May and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mead, Capt. A. Jenkins and Messrs. H. Bumpfords, E. C. Todd, C. O. Wilson, A. McKirdy, G. E. Watt, F. E. Hall, H. Bapp, G. Bapp, F. Bapp, H. E. Serriven, P. W. Goldring, F. D. Bain, G. C. Kitchin, W. B. Munkett, D. Murphy, Yu Shing, E. S. Payne, L. Gory, J. M. Wong, P. Wong, A. W. Gibbs, H. A. Selby, Higginbottom, G. Harper, G. A. Lawrence, G. Eichen, E. T. L. Bunf, E. W. H. James and H. S. Spurge.

THE MAGISTRACY.

EUROPEAN CHARGED WITH STEALING.

LIBERALLY DISTRIBUTING SHIP'S CARGO AMONGST COOLIES.

James Holden, a seaman on board a Blue funnel steamer, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with the theft of a roll of plush velvet, two waterproof coats and a quantity of socks belonging to the ship's cargo.

Inspector Gordon said the theft was accidentally discovered through the arrest of a coolie. Yesterday, about four o'clock in the afternoon, a Chinese constable on duty at Nathan Road, Kowloon, noticed a coolie who appeared to be concealing something about his waist. The coolie was searched and three linen handkerchiefs were found on him. He was taken to the Police Station and there he said the handkerchiefs had been given to him and many other coolies by a European on board a steamer. He also said that if the Inspector wanted a raincoat or handkerchiefs he would go there and get them.

Witness sent the coolie together with Sergt. Lanigan to the steamer. Sergt. Lanigan spoke to the Chief Officer and the ship's crew was mustered on deck. The coolie was then asked to point out the man who gave him the handkerchiefs and he immediately pointed out the defendant. The Police then searched the defendant's cabin and found a roll of velvet plush, two raincoats and a quantity of socks on his bed. Defendant admitted stealing these articles but denied the theft of the handkerchiefs.

Defendant pleaded guilty and when questioned by the Magistrate, said he had nothing to say.

The Captain of the steamer, Mr. Ebenezer Galt, said the defendant had been working on the steamer for the last six months. He was a very decent fellow and he thought the defendant already felt his position keenly. He would like to say that the members of his crew told him that they were quite willing to sail with the defendant and he begged the Magistrate, if he could see his way, to let the defendant off with a fine.

Mr. Wood fined the defendant \$25.

The coolie was then charged with the theft of three handkerchiefs. Inspector Gordon said he believed it would be unfair to prosecute the defendant and asked the Magistrate's permission to withdraw the charge. The coolie, he said, acted very well in the matter and it was through him that the Police came to know of the theft. Everything he told the Police was absolutely true.

Evidence was given by a lukong who said he arrested the defendant in Nathan Road, with the handkerchiefs in his possession.

James Holden, the defendant in the previous case, who was called as a witness absolutely denied having given the handkerchiefs to the defendant. He said he did not know where they came from.

Defendant he said did not know the handkerchiefs had been stolen. The European gave it to him.

Mr. Wood discharged the defendant.

OPIUM CASES.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with being in unlawful possession of 135 taels of prepared opium other than Government opium.

An Indian constable said he arrested the defendant at Shaukiwan. The basket defendant carried at the time of the arrest was searched and about 200 taels of opium were found concealed inside.

Defendant told the usual tale of having been asked by a stranger to convey the basket to Flat Tee Mui when he would be rewarded.

A sentence of 12 months' hard labour was passed. The opium was confiscated.

Another Chinese who was charged with being in unlawful possession of 9 taels of opium was fined \$70 with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour in default of payment.

THE "MILLION DOLLAR" OPIUM CASE.

In the Supreme Court, yesterday afternoon, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, his Lordship formally entered judgment for the defendant.

The question of costs will be argued to-morrow.

The duties of Treasurer of the Services Entertainment Fund have been handed over by the Rev. C. L. Cooper, Hunt, C.F. to the Rev. T. Robinson, 2 Morrison Hill, who will in future receive and acknowledge all subscriptions. The retiring Treasurer desires to thank all those who have given their generous support to the Fund since its inauguration in March 1917.

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P. J. L. O. (monthly sub.) 10

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Mr. T. P. Hough (£100 at 3/11) 640

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE WESTERN FRONT.

BATTLE IN THE AIR.

FURTHER SUCCESSES BY BRITISH AVIATORS.

London, May 14. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

Flying was impossible on Sunday until the evening, when the visibility was excellent.

We dropped eight tons of bombs in the neighbourhoods of Menin, Armentieres and La Bassée, and also the Bruges docks.

We brought down six enemy machines. One British plane is missing.

We dropped 14 tons of bombs at night-time on Don, Maroing and Chaulnes railway stations, the Bruges docks and on Bapume and Peronne.

One British machine has not returned.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

RECIPROCAL BOMBARDMENT ONLY.

London, May 14. A French communiqué states:—

There is nothing to report, except somewhat lively reciprocal bombardment, notably on both banks of the Aisne.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS.

FRENCH AVIATORS DESTROY THE GUNS.

Paris, May 14. Aeroplane photographs confirm the destruction of the emplacement of the guns bombarding Paris. Four shells secured direct hits, shattering everything. The railways in the service of the guns were broken at numerous places.

OSTEND AND ZEEBRUGGE.

NAVAL AIRCRAFT BOMB DOCKS AND MOLE.

London, May 13. The Admiralty states:—

Between the 6th and 12th our aircraft from Dunkirk successfully bombed the docks and supabase base of Ostend and, also the Zeebrugge mole, lock-gates and shipping. Several direct hits were secured. The sheds on the Zeebrugge mole and a large shed at Ostend were completely burnt out. We destroyed six machines and drove down two during the patrols. One British plane is missing.

A seaplane on Friday in the North Sea engaged a Zeppelin, which retreated after half-an-hour.

HORNET'S NEST IN UKRAINE.

MANY GERMAN DIVISIONS REQUIRED.

Amsterdam, May 13. The German newspapers are beginning to complain of the large number of Divisions required to maintain peace in Ukraine.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* says the conditions there are becoming more difficult for Germany.

As regards the German policy in the East generally, it sarcastically remarks that the German practices often completely differ from the proclaimed aims of Vienna.

The Jewish Correspondence Bureau announces that the German authorities in Ukraine are anti-Jewish and have abolished the Ministry of Jewish Affairs.

MENACE TO INDIAN EMPIRE.

WHAT GERMAN INVASION OF CAUCASUS THREATENS.

Paris, May 14. The *Echo de Paris*, referring to the situation in the Caucasus, points out that certain national elements will resist the Turco-German invasion. Since Russia's downfall 16 million Mahomedans, echeloned in an almost continuous zone to the heart of Central Asia, have been made accessible. The Turco-German enterprises in the Caucasus is the beginning of the road to India. The paper hopes that the British will strengthen their influence in this quarter.

LONG ARM OF THE ENEMY.

INTRIGUES IN DUTCH INDIES.

GERMANS IN DUTCH COLONIAL ARMY.

London, May 10. The *Times* correspondent at The Hague says:—

Captain Vermeer of the Dutch East Indian Army, lecturing on German intrigues in the Dutch East Indies, said the Germans had succeeded in getting a large number of their nationals in the Dutch Colonial Army. There were no English, Americans, or Japanese and only one French in that Army. Moreover, since 1901 all the barracks in the Colonies had supplied with pictures been of the Kaiser and the Sultan of Turkey. Sympathy with the Germans had been carefully aroused in the Mahomedan section of the Colonial Forces, which was mainly exhibited in the anti-British tone of the Mahomedan Press and desertions from that force. These increased from 15 per cent in 1914 to 50 per cent in 1916.

The Germans from Japan, Hongkong, Singapore and New Guinea fled to the Dutch East Indies, where they were actively encouraging native unrest, chiefly in order that the flame may spread to British India. These Germans live largely on the highlands of Java and go about in the fields talking with the natives.

EMIGRANTS TO THE BRITISH COLONIES.

BILL TO RENDER ASSISTANCE.

London, May 13. In the House of Commons, Mr. Walter Long (Secretary of State for the Colonies) introduced a Bill to improve the organization for affording information and assistance to emigrants from the United Kingdom, providing for the establishment of a central emigration authority and the supervision and control of passage brokers and third parties and emigration societies, and for purposes connected therewith.

PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION.

REJECTION OF THE PROPOSAL.

London, May 13. The House of Commons has rejected by 166 votes to 110 the proposal of experimental proportional representation in a hundred constituencies, in accordance with the arrangement between the House of Lords and the House of Commons, when the Electoral Reform Bill was passed.

The decision finally disposes of Proportional Representation for the duration of the present Parliament.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FINLAND.

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

Stockholm, May 14. The *Dagen* says that Great Britain has proposed the establishment of diplomatic relations with Finland, provided certain friendly conditions are reached.

DANISH COAST MINED BY GERMANS.

London, May 14. A Gothenburg correspondent states the Danish coast between Thisted and north of Skaw has been mined by German submarines.

MR. WALTER LONG'S NEW POST.

ADVISER TO GOVERNMENT ON IRISH MATTERS.

London, May 14. The *Daily Telegraph* states that Mr. Walter Long has accepted the general Advisership to the Government on Irish Matters.

It is definitely settled that he will pilot the Home Rule Bill in the House of Commons.

AMERICA'S FARNESTNESS.

STEEL CORPORATION MANUFACTURES HEAVY GUNS.

New York, May 10. It is announced that the Steel Corporation at the request of the Government will begin the manufacture of heavy guns and projectiles in great quantities and special works will be constructed at the Government expense in the interior of the country.

LIBERAL M.P. FOR NEWCASTLE.

IRISH SECRETARY RETURNED UNOPOSED.

London, May 13. Mr. E. Shaw, Irish Chief Secretary, was returned unopposed for Newcastle.

PRESENT SITUATION UNFAVOURABLE TO ENEMY.

DEPRIVED OF HOSES OF STRATEGIC SURPRISE.

London, May 14. Colonel Repington, in the *Morning Post*, opines that the situation on the Eastern Front has become more unfavourable to the Germans. Since the signature of the Russian Treaties the Germans have been involved in bigger operations than they expected. The consequences of failure are serious. Altogether the delay in the climax has profited us more than the enemy, who is now deprived of the hopes of a strategic surprise, except by a violation of Switzerland or the invasion of England.

SILVER HOLDING OF BANK OF IRELAND.

COMPARATIVE INCREASE.

London, May 14. The Bank of Ireland states that over half-a-million sterling in silver coin was received in Ireland from the Mint for the year ending May 10th, compared with £100,000 in the previous twelve months.

THE SILVER MARKET.

DROP IN PRICE.

London, May 14. Silver is quoted at 48½d. owing to the lower insurance rate. The Market will be closed till next Saturday.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

REICHSTAG AND THE U-BOAT CAMPAIGN.

ADMIRAL VON CAPELLE'S PROPOSITIONS.

Amsterdam, May 12. In the Reichstag, during a discussion on the Navy Estimates, Admiral von Capelle declared that the reports for April of unrestricted submarine warfare were again favourable. Naturally losses occurred, but the increase of submarines exceeded the losses. Submarine warfare was more and more developing into a struggle between submarine action and the construction of ships. So far, the monthly destruction figures have continued to be several times as large as the new construction. He asserted that the British shipbuilding results fell from 181,000 tons in March to 111,000 tons in April, or reckoned in ships, from thirty-two to twenty-two. America built little, her building being far below expectations. Even if it were increased, America herself would use up the increase. There was every reason to regard the submarines with trust and confidence.

Referring to the declaration of Mr. Lloyd George on April 4, that even if the land war were lost the naval war would still be far from ending, Admiral von Capelle said: "We must wait and see whether the British people makes this threat its own. If they do our submarines must continue to do their duty. Success assuredly will not fail them. As far as other requirements which the Army and Navy admit of, our entire war industry will be placed at the service of submarine construction." Other speakers emphasised that the Reichstag unanimously favoured unrestricted submarine warfare.

THE "MOST FAVOURED NATION" CLAUSE.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S ACTION.

London, May 13. In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that in view of the probable shortage of raw materials after the war and the necessity for providing for the requirements of the Empire and the Allies, the Government intended, similarly to the French Government, to denounce all commercial conventions containing a general clause regarding most favoured nations.

THE FOOD SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

PETROGRAD'S CATASTROPHIC POSITION.

Moscow, May 11. M. Lenin has telegraphed to all food organizations demanding immediate help in view of the catastrophic position in Petrograd. He says: "A counter-revolution is making its head and turning the discontent of the starving masses against Soviet authority."

MAJOR-GENERAL MAHON'S SUCCESSOR.

London, May 13. General Shaw, the successor to Major-General Sir Bryan Mahon, has arrived in Dublin.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON BRITISH FRONT.

London, May 13. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

There was hostile artillery activity in the Somme Valley and Albert sectors and between Locon and Nieppe Forest. Later.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

The hostile artillery developed considerable activity north of Serre and was also active on the southern portion of the British Front and in the sector northward of Kemmel.

FRENCH CAPTURE PRISONERS.

London, May 13. A French communiqué reports:—

There was mutual artillery activity at some points north and south of the Aisne. French detachments penetrated the German lines north of Momeny in Lorraine and brought back prisoners.

FALSE STATEMENTS IN GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

London, May 13. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters gives other examples of false statements in German communiqués in the early days of the battle besides that dated on May 12. A German communiqué stated that the Fifth Berkshire were annihilated. The fact is that the Fifth Berkshires lost fifteen officers and 300 of other ranks. Another German communiqué asserted that the Fourth Yorkshire Light Infantry were captured almost complete. The truth is that the total missing from this regiment was 121. Numerous cases of similar exaggeration, many of sheer mendacity, could be given. Some are in themselves unimportant but in totality they show how impossible it is to accept any German communiqué at its face value.

MAJOR-GENERAL TRENCHARD ACCEPTS APPOINTMENT.

London, May 13. In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law announced that Major-General Trenchard had accepted the command of a very important part of the British Air Force in France.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

ENEMY ATTACK REPULSED.

London, May 13. An Italian official message says:—

After an intense bombardment on the night of May 11, the enemy attacked our new positions at Monte Corno. He was arrested by our fire and we counter-attacked, he being obliged to retire, suffering heavy losses.

THE MESOPOTAMIA CAMPAIGN.

TURKS DRIVEN BACK.

London, May 13. An official message from Mesopotamia states:—

Our mounted troops pursued the enemy across the Lesser Zab at Alonkeupri, capturing thirty prisoners and two guns.

THE MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY.

ANOTHER MEETING AT GERMAN HEADQUARTERS.

London, May 13. A German official message states that Emperor Karl visited the Kaiser at Main Headquarters, accompanied by Premier Burian and General von Arz, chief of the Austrian General Staff. Germany was represented by Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, General Ludendorff and Baron von Kuchemann. There was a cordial and thorough discussion of all fundamental political, economic and military questions affecting Austria and Germany and there was complete accord on all these and on the extension and deepening of the existing alliance guiding the lines of the contemplated contractual agreements which already exist in principle.

MR. TAFT'S TRIBUTE TO GREAT BRITAIN.

Washington, May 13. Ex-President Taft, introducing Lord Reading at a gathering on May 12, paid a high tribute to Britain's efforts, "which are something we cannot appreciate nor estimate. We are living in comfort and luxury, we have lost comparatively few men and we have not been in the Valley of the Shadow of Death as has been Great Britain, to whom we owe our liberty. Great Britain led the world of the greatest military conqueror the world ever saw, and did it by sacrifice and holding on. St. Helena finally told the story of British pertinacity and British determination to stand up for civilization against tyranny and world domination. Her function in this war is the same."

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LICHNOWSKY'S MEMORANDUM.

LORD BRYCE'S ANALYSIS.

London, May 13.

Lord Bryce in an article in the *Daily Chronicle* exhaustively analyses the Lichnowsky Memorandum as the most complete vindication of Great Britain's attitude towards the war. He says the Memorandum was written not to justify England, but to criticize the policy which tied Germany to Austria. It exposed Prince Lichnowsky to the anger and persecution of the German Government, which is evidence of the importance they attach to it as a condemnation of their conduct.

Lord Bryce attributes the wild outburst of anti-English feeling in Germany to the fact that the German Government did everything in their power not only to create hatred but also to stifle every voice raised to let the people know the truth. They were never permitted to know the truth and the disappointment that fell upon them when the march to Paris was arrested with the help of the British Army and their coast strictly blockaded by the British Fleet added fuel to their anger and has made it ever since an easier matter to keep the truth from them. The British people bore no hatred whatever towards the German people. King Edward meant no harm to Germany when he showed his liking for the French. Neither did his Ministers when they took steps to remove the differences that had been causing trouble between ourselves and France and again when they came to a friendly understanding with Russia. These arrangements were made in the interests of European peace and goodwill, not in order to damage Germany. British statesmen did not desire to add to British possessions abroad, feeling that we already had all that we needed, and that the greatest interest of the British Empire was universal peace.

No section of our people had any idea of the danger of the peace which lay in the mind and purpose of those who rule in Germany. We did not realise what the feudal aristocracy and the military caste of Germany were pondering and planning, nor how little weight they attached to considerations of good faith or humanity. Hence we made no preparation for war, and had scarcely thought ourselves of what action we should have taken on land if we became involved in war. In this attitude there may have been less prudence than was needed, but our absence of suspicion is the best proof of how little we expected aggression. It is an absolute refutation of the calumny that Great Britain with her tiny army was planning to attack the greatest military power in the world.

The Memorandum bears witness to the pacific spirit of the British people and the British Government. Still weightier evidence of the goodwill of the British Government is supplied by the account of concessions to Germany, as witness Asia and Africa, pursuant to the Grey policy to arrive at a friendly rapprochement and understanding with Germany. Great Britain went a very long way to meet the German wishes in respect to the Bagdad railway. Not less large were the concessions made in South and Central Africa. Had we in England known the inner spirit of the German Government, and the use they would make of our concessions, British Ministers might well have hesitated to go so far as they did, but that they conceded so much is the most complete proof of their goodwill and the most convincing refutation of the German charges.

Lord Bryce concludes: Never in her long history has Great Britain had so perfectly clear a conscience as in the case of this war. Her people neither contemplated nor desired it. They were driven into it by the action of the German Government, which persisted in pushing it on even when Austria seemed willing to draw back. All evidently had been settled at the famous Potsdam conference when the Emperor enquired of his military and naval chiefs whether they were ready for the conflict for which preparations had been in progress. Neither when the war began did Great Britain wish to do more than prevent Germany from destroying Belgium and mortally wounding France.

OBITUARY.

LORD COURTNEY.

London, May 13. The death is announced of Lord Courtney.

[Lord Courtney of Penwith was first Baron, created in 1906. He was formerly the Rt. Hon. Leonard Henry Courtney, P.C., M.A., and held many offices under the Crown. He was a baronet of Court and Deputy Speaker, 1887-92.]

SHIP A DAY ADDED TO AMERICA'S FLEET.

New York, May 6.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Franklin D. Roosevelt, in a statement here said that the Navy would have 500,000 men in the service by the end of the year. The present number is 370,000 whereas there were 75,000 men at beginning of the war. There are 170 warships of the United States Navy with 40,000 sailors now in the service, he said, and added: "Hardly a day passes without adding a ship to the American fleet over there."

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